

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1 to 3 and please add the following new claims:

4. (New) A method of treating hepatitis in a mammal in which interferon is effective, comprising the steps of:

1. intravenously, transmucosally, or hepatic intra-arterially administering to the mammal a complex of a cationic liposome with poly (I): poly (C) which has a mean length within the range of 100 to 500 bp; and
2. inducing chiefly in the liver an effective amount of interferon.

5. (New) A method of inducing interferon chiefly in the liver comprising intravenously, transmucosally, or hepatic intra-arterially administering to a mammal an effective amount for the treatment of hepatitis in the mammal of a complex of a cationic liposome with poly(I): poly (C) which has a mean length within the range of 100 to 500 bp.

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6. (New) The method according to claim 4, wherein the hepatitis is hepatitis C.

7. (New) The method according to claim 4, wherein the cationic liposome consists essentially of 2-O-(2-diethylaminoethyl) carbamoyl-1, 3-dioleoylglycerol and a phospholipid.

8. (New) The method according to claim 7, wherein the phospholipid is lecithin.

9. (New) The method according to claim 5, wherein the hepatitis is hepatitis C.